

## **Tasker Data**

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**Tasker State:** Awaiting Response  
**Tasker Name:** 2019-N2N6FRONTOFFICE-000000034  
**Originator:** DCNO FOR INFORMATION WARFARE (N2N6 FRONT OFFICE)  
**Action Office:** N2N6 FRONT OFFICE  
**Tasker Subject:** STAND DOWN OF CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS TASK FORCE  
CLIMATE CHANGE  
**Tasker Category:** General  
**Tasker Due Date:** Fri, March 15, 2019  
**Tasker Priority:** 2-Medium  
**SSIC:** 5000-080 General Operations - Administration and Management  
**Tasker Keywords:** TFCC, STAND, DOWN  
**Point of Contact:** (b) (6)  
**Signature Authority:** NONE

## **Tasker Description**

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Seeking Chief of Naval Operations' (CNO) approval of stand down of CNO's Task Force Climate Change (TFCC). Since the original 2009 TFCC Charter, the Navy has successfully organized a comprehensive approach regarding future Navy Arctic action. The function of TFCC has been superseded by institutional requirements, planning, and programming processes, rendering the Task Force obsolete. All DCNOs concur.

## **Tasker Comments**

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POC:

(b) (6)

## **Response Summary**

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**Date Created:** Wed, February 27, 2019

### **Response**

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**Status:** Unread  
**Initial Responder:** VICE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS (VCNO FRONT OFFICE)  
**Responder Type:** Responder  
**Due Date:** Fri, March 15, 2019

### **Response**

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**Status:** Unread  
**Initial Responder:** CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS (CNO FRONT OFFICE)  
**Responder Type:** Responder  
**Due Date:** Fri, March 15, 2019

### **Response**

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**Status:** Unread  
**Initial Responder:** OCEANOGRAPHY AND NAVIGATION (N2N6E TASKER GROUP)  
**Responder Type:** Responder  
**Due Date:** Fri, March 15, 2019

## Audit Entries

### Wed, February 27, 2019 (EST)

02:22:06 (b) (6) sent STAND DOWN OF CHIEF OF  
NAVAL OPERATIONS TASK FORCE CLIMATE CHANGE due by Fri, March 15,  
2019.

 TAB B CNO Coordination Page.docx v1.0 (Original Source Document)

 TAB A CNO Decision Brief\_5FEB TFCC Std Down.docx v1.0  
(Organizational Response)

 Action Memo DCNO to CNO for recommended TFCC stand down.docx  
v1.0 (Action/Info Memo)

02:22:08 N2N6 FRONT OFFICE (b) (6) added  
Responder - VCNO FRONT OFFICE, response due by Fri, March 15, 2019

02:22:08 N2N6 FRONT OFFICE (b) (6) added  
Responder - CNO FRONT OFFICE, response due by Fri, March 15, 2019

02:22:09 N2N6 FRONT OFFICE (b) (6) added  
Responder - N2N6E TASKER GROUP, response due by Fri, March 15, 2019

02:24:11 N2N6 FRONT OFFICE comment: Package is currently with OPNAV  
N2N6 for review.

## ACTION MEMO

FOR: CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

(b) (6)

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FROM: DEPUTY CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS FOR INFORMATION WARFARE  
(N2N6) (b) (6)

SUBJ: RECOMMENDATION TO STAND DOWN TASK FORCE CLIMATE CHANGE

- Admiral, request you stand-down of Navy Task Force Climate Change (TAB A).
  - This proposal has been coordinated with all Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, and all have provided concurrence (TAB B).
- Background: The Director of Task Force Climate Change (TFCC) (N2N6E) chaired the annual Navy TFCC Executive Steering Committee (ESC) where the consensus recommendation was to stand-down the nearly decade old Task Force.
- Rationale for stand-down included:
  - The Navy has successfully organized a comprehensive approach regarding future Navy Arctic action,
  - TFCC's functionality has been superseded by institutional business processes for requirements, planning, and programming, and,
  - Anticipated release of an OPNAV N3N5-led CNO Arctic Strategic Outlook.

RECOMMENDATION: CNO, please approve TAB A by initialing your approval below. (b) (6)

Approve \_\_\_\_\_ Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

COORDINATION: TAB B

Attachments:

As stated

Prepared By: (b) (6) OPNAV N2N6E5 (b) (6)



## CNO DECISION BRIEF

TOPIC: Stand Down of Chief of Naval Operations Task Force Climate Change

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

1. Seeking Chief of Naval Operations' (CNO) approval of stand down of CNO's Task Force Climate Change (TFCC). Since the original 2009 TFCC Charter, the Navy has successfully organized a comprehensive approach regarding future Navy Arctic action. The function of TFCC has been superseded by institutional requirements, planning, and programming processes, rendering the Task Force obsolete. All DCNOs concur (TAB B).

### ISSUE:

1. TFCC is no longer viable as a decision making organization regarding Arctic or climate change issues; OPNAV Flag level decisions regarding capabilities and requirements (JCIDS), resource allocation (PPBE), and acquisition decisions (DAS) are taking place within institutional business processes.

### DISCUSSION:

1. CNO established the Task Force in 2009 to address an emerging Navy need to develop a comprehensive approach regarding the Arctic and climate change to guide future public, strategic, and policy discussions. The Task Force coordinated those discussions and actions through its Executive Steering Committee, Navy Climate Change Coordination Office, and Working Groups.
2. TFCC oversaw the release of the first U.S. Navy Arctic Roadmap in 2009, and the subsequent update released in 2014. TFCC also released the Navy's Climate Change Roadmap in 2010. The Navy's Climate Change Roadmap was superseded by Department of Defense Directive 4715.21, Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience, January 2016.
3. The Task Force has successfully achieved its goal by ensuring the Navy has informed, focused, and deliberate discussions regarding Arctic capabilities among respective offices within the Office of Chief of Naval Operations, as illustrated in enclosure (1). These discussions are occurring through institutional processes.
  - a. USNORTHCOM, designated as Arctic Capability Advocate in the 2011 Unified Command Plan, sponsored the Arctic Maritime Homeland Defense (AMHD) Capabilities Based Assessment (CBA), and resulted in an Initial Capabilities Document (ICD); critical non-concurs in both documents were adjudicated outside TFCC construct.
  - b. Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JROC) issued a Memorandum on 26 Oct 2017 which validated the AMHD ICD capability gaps. The JROCM designated Navy (OPNAV N9) as lead DoD component, and identified the next step as further study and analysis.
  - c. The FY20-24 Chairman's Gap Assessment (CGA) Integrated Priority Lists were forwarded by the Joint Capability Board to the JROC for approval.
  - d. Draft CGA included capability gaps in AMHD; assessed significant risk associated with capability gap, and noted current efforts and resources applied against gaps inadequate to reduce risk. Draft CGA recommended increased risk mitigation activities against the AMHD capability gaps.
4. OPNAV N3N5 is lead effort for CNO's Arctic Strategy, anticipated release in 2019; this document will supersede the U.S. Navy Arctic Roadmap 2014-2030.

### RECOMMENDATION AND WAY AHEAD:

1. Recommend CNO approve stand down of CNO's TFCC.
2. All future Arctic and Climate Change issues should be addressed via assigned responsibilities contained in OPNAVINST 5430.48 series (CNO Organization and Operations Manual).

COORDINATION: TAB B

## COORDINATION PAGE

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<u>Office/Dept</u>	<u>Point of Contact/Title</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
OPNAV N1	(b) (6)	(b) (6)	29JAN19	CONCUR
OPNAV N2N6	VADM Robert Kohler DCNO for Information Warfare	(b) (6)	04JAN19	CONCUR
OPNAV N3/N5	RDML William Pennington Assistant DCNO for Operations, Plans, and Strategy	(b) (6)	31JAN19	CONCUR
OPNAV N4	VADM Dixon Smith DCNO for Fleet Readiness & Logistics	(b) (6)	29JAN19	CONCUR
OPNAV N8	(b) (6)	(b) (6)	29JAN19	CONCUR
OPNAV N9	VADM Bill Merz DCNO for Warfare Systems	(b) (6)	29JAN19	CONCUR
USFF N01	VADM Bruce H. Lindsey Deputy Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command	(b) (6)	29JAN19	CONCUR
OPNAV N09C	(b) (6)	(b) (6)	29JAN19	CONCUR
VCNO	ADM W. F. MORAN	(b) (6)	13JAN19	CONCUR

## ACTION MEMO

Feb 5, 2019

FOR: DEPUTY CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS FOR INFORMATION  
WARFARE (N2N6)

FROM: RDML John A. Okon, Director, Oceanography and Navigation

(b) (6)

SUBJECT: Decision Brief for Chief of Naval Operations Recommending Stand-down of  
Navy Task Force Climate Change (TFCC)

- Admiral, request you submit to CNO this decision brief recommending stand-down of Navy Task Force Climate Change (TAB A) with the concurrence from all DCNO, coordination page (TAB B).
- On 03MAY18, I chaired the annual Navy TFCC Executive Steering Committee (ESC) where the consensus recommendation was to stand-down the nearly decade old Task Force. Rationale included: (a) the Navy has successfully organized a comprehensive approach regarding future Navy Arctic action, (b) TFCC's functionality has been superseded by institutional business processes for requirements, planning, and programming, and (c) anticipated release of an N3/N5-led CNO Arctic Strategic Outlook.

RECOMMENDATION: OPNAV N2N6 approve TAB A and forward to CNO.  
Approve (b) (6) Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

COORDINATION: TAB B

Attachments:  
As stated

Prepared by

(b) (6)

OPNAV N2N6E5

(b) (6)



# OPNAV ROUTING SHEET

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION TO STAND-DOWN NAVY TASK FORCE CLIMATE CHANGE

DCN #: DONTRACKER

DUE DATE: 15 Mar 2019

ACTION OFFICER:

CODE:  
N2N6E

PHONE#:

**\*\*Ensure proper coordination is complete (see reverse)\*\***

N-CODE

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Comments:

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REQUIRED?

☐ YES ☐ NO

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REQUIRED?

☐ YES ☐ NO

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DEA Initial/Date: 13 MAR 19

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*Concur w/recommendation*

CNO

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